

MARSSIM Meeting Notice
September 27 - 30, 2004 Meeting

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing that the Department of Defense, the Department of Energy, the Department of Homeland Security, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission are meeting to discuss joint Federal guidance documents that have and will provide standardized and consistent approaches to accomplish structural and environmental radiation surveys. These documents are the "Multi-Agency Radiation Survey and Site Investigation Manual" (MARSSIM), published in 1997, and its supplements under development entitled Multi-Agency Radiation Survey and Assessment of Materials and Equipment (MARSAME) and Multi-Agency Radiation Survey and Assessment of the Subsurface (MARSAS) supplements. Relevant information may be provided to the group by other persons present.

Meetings of the group are open to the public on a first come, space available, basis with advance registration. During the next meeting, representatives of the agencies will continue development of the MARSAME and MARSAS supplements, with an emphasis on the further developed MARSAME supplement.

Time will be set aside for members of the public to make a brief oral presentation at the next workgroup meeting. In general, opportunities for oral comment will usually be limited to five minutes per speaker and no more than one hour total for all speakers. Written comments may also be presented. The group expects that public statements presented will not be repetitive of previously presented or written statements. The group expects to receive statements for consideration only, and there will not necessarily be any further discussion on or about the statements by the group.

DATES, ADDRESS, AND REGISTRATION: Meetings will be held Monday through Thursday, September 27 - 30, 2004, from 8:30 am until about 5:00 pm. The meetings will be held at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1310 L Street, Washington, D.C. in Room 502 Monday through Wednesday, and Room 509 on Thursday. Persons wishing to attend this portion of the meeting should call Kathryn Snead at (202) 343-9228 no later than September 20, 2004 to register. Persons wishing to make oral statements should contact CAPT. Colleen Petullo, USPHS, at the addresses or telephone number provided below no later than September 20, 2004, in order to have time reserved on the agenda.

Future meetings are planned but have not been scheduled. The schedule, location, and registration information for future meetings may be found on the World Wide Web at: www.epa.gov/radiation/marssim/ and at www.nrc.gov/NRC/PUBLIC/meet.html. The MARSSIM document is available through the internet at www.epa.gov/radiation/marssim.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Persons needing further information concerning this group or their products under development (i.e., MARSAME and/or MARSAS Supplements), should contact CAPT. Colleen Petullo, USPHS, in writing at EPA/OSWER/ERT-West, P.O. Box 93478, Las Vegas, NV 89193-3478, or by e-mail at petullo.colleen@epa.gov, or by telephone at (702) 784-8004, or by FAX at (702) 784-8001.